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SUBJ: LOS REQUEST FOR MINERAL DATA

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1. HERewith ARE REPLIES TO QUESTIONS REF B TO EXTENT INFO
PRESENTLY AVAILABLE. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED FIGURES ARE FOR
KUWAIT AND TOTAL RPT TOTAL NEUTRAL ZONE:

A. 1972 OIL PRODUCTION/ONSHORE - 1,154,967,638 BARRELS.

1972 OIL PRODUCTION/OFFSHORE - 151,399,315/BARRELS.

1972 GAS PRODUCTION/ONSHORE - 614,986,928,000 CUBIC FEET.

1972 GAS PRODUCTION/OFFSHORE - 32,824,714,000 CUBIC FEET.

B. CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OIL/ONSHORE 1946-1972 - APPROX 14.9
BILLION BBL.

CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OIL/OFFSHORE 1946-1972 - APPROX 581
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MILLION BBL.

CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION GAS/ONSHORE 1946-1972 - APPROX 11,055
BILLION CU FT.

CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION GAS/OFFSHORE 1946-1972 - APPROX 247 BILLION
CU FT.

C. CON/NA. GENERAL ASSUMPTION BASED ON GOK PUBLIC STATEMENTS IS
APPROXIMATELY 60-75 BILLION BARRELS OIL. GAS RESERVES
UNKNOWN.

D. NA

E. NO NEW WELLS ONSHORE IN 1972. ESTIMATED 10 NEW FIELD DEVELOP-
MENT WELLS DRILLED OFFSHORE IN 1972 PLUS 18 WELLS OVERHAULED.

F. TOTAL WELLS OPERATING IN 1972 EQUALS ABOUT 1200 ONSHORE, ALL
OIL AND 53 OFFSHORE, ALL OIL.

G. SHELL PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, SUBSIDIARY ROYAL
DUTCH SHELL, HOLDS CONCESSION OFFSHORE KUWAIT PROPER. NOT
PRODUCING BECAUSE MEDIAN LINE/BOUNDARIES NOT AGREED UPON BY
RIPARIAN STATES. ARABIAN OIL COMPANY, JAPANESE, HAS CONCESSION
OFFSHORE FORMER KUWAIT-SAUDI NEUTRAL ZONE. KUWAIT OIL COMPANY,
OWNED BY BP ANDSGULF OIL, OPERATES SOME WELLS ALONG KUWAIT COAST.

H. EXACT AMOUNT NA. VIRTUALLY ENTIRE AMOUNT SPENT BY ARABIAN OIL
CO. CAPITALIZATION OF COMPANY EQUALS \$70 MILLION.

I. 1972 IMPORTS OF OIL AND GAS EQUALS ZERO; OF OIL PRODUCTS EQUALS
NEG.

1972 EXPORTS CRUDE OIL EQUALS 1,159,853,841 BARRELS; OF GAS
EQUALS 18,057,660 BBLS; OF REFINED PRODUCTS EQUALS 154,718,142
BBLS.

2. NO ITEM II ITEMS KNOWN TO EXIST OR PRODUCED IN COMMERCIAL
QUANTITIES.
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